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PRICE, \$3 PER MONTH.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GORCH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES HENDY & Co., 31, Watlington, E. C. SAMUEL, DEACON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street.

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Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000.
INSTALLED CAPITAL, 2,074,744.75
New Shares, \$7,074,744.75

RESERVE FUND, \$2,500,000.
INSTALLED OF PREMIUM, 1,563,361.66
INSTALLED OF NEW SHARES, \$4,033,361.66

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—A. P. McEWEN, Esq.
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" 12 " 5 " " "

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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, April 2, 1884. 683

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP between Messrs. STEPHENS & HOLMES having expired on the 31st March, 1884, I have this Day REMOVED my OFFICE to No. 18, BARK BUILDINGS, Queen's Road Central, opposite Pedder's Street.

MATTHEW J. D. STEPHENS.
Hongkong, April 1, 1884. 672

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP between Messrs. STEPHENS & HOLMES, Solicitors, terminated on the 31st March, 1884, and the Undersigned will continue to practise in his own Name at No. 24, QUEEN'S ROAD, adjoining the Hongkong Dispensary.

HENRY J. HOLMES.
Hongkong, April 2, 1884. 673

Intimations.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.

THIS Company now grants passages through to London via Marseilles, including Continental Railway fares, at the same rate as by the route by sea to London, viz., \$385.

The fare to Marseilles is now similar to that charged to Brindisi or Venice, viz., \$355.

A. MOYER,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, March 13, 1884. 455

DRY DOCK AND PATENT SLIP, NAGASAKI.

THE Undersigned have been appointed AGENTS for THE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT DOCK AND PATENT SLIP, at Nagasaki, and are prepared to supply Tenders for the DOCKING, GRANING, PAINTING, &c., of VESSELS. The ESQUIRE WORKS in connection with the Dockyard are under the direction of experienced ENGINEERS and possess all the necessary appliances for REPAIRS to STEAM and MACHINERY.

HOLME, RINGER & Co.
Nagasaki, March, 1884. 945

HOP SHING & Co.,
ENGINEERS, BOILER MAKERS,
COPPER SMITHS, BRASS & IRON
FOUNDERS, &c.,
WEST POINT IRON WORKS.

HAVING This Day commenced BUSINESS, are ready to undertake Work of the above Descriptions under the Supervision of an Experienced European Engineer, and at moderate terms.

24th September, 1883. 611

Intimations.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

MR. SAMUEL J. GOWER has This Day been appointed SECRETARY to the above Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
E. R. BELLIOS,
Chairman.
Hongkong, April 1, 1884. 568

HOTEL DE L'UNIVERS,

WYNDHAM STREET, HONGKONG.

THE Undersigned begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and the Coast Ports that he will RE-OPEN

THE HOTEL DE L'UNIVERS on the 1st March.

The whole of the ROOMS have been NEWLY FURNISHED throughout, and there are ROOMS suitable for either MARINE COUPLES or SINGLE PASSENGERS.

The TABLE will be supplied with the BEST of the market can provide.

The WINES and LIQUORS supplied, both at the Bar and Table, will be of the VERY BEST BRANDS.

Guests' requests of taking Meals, such as TIFINS and DINNERS, can have ALL REQUISITE information by applying to

GEORGE STAINFIELD,
Proprietor.
Hongkong, February 28, 1884. 368

NOTICE.

C. L. THEVENIN'S WINE and SPIRIT STORE has, from this date, been temporarily REMOVED to No. 4, PEDDER'S HILL.

Hongkong, March 20, 1884. 542

COMPANIA NAVIERA DE FILIPINAS.

CAPITAL, \$800,000.
Divided into 5,000 Shares of \$100 each.

On Allotment \$10 per Share, and the Balance on 30th April, 1884.

PROVISIONAL COMMITTEE.

Chairman: GONZALO TUASON, Esq.
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(Messrs. BARR, SEXTON & Co.)

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R. CALDER SMITH, Esq., (Messrs. PEARL, HUBBELL & Co.)

JOHN OGDEN, Esq., (Messrs. BIRCHALL, ROBINSON & Co.)

GEO. ARMSTRONG, Esq., (Messrs. ARMSTRONG & SLOAN.)

Secretary: JOSE JUAN DE YCAZA, Esq.

Bankers: THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

General Managers: Messrs. BIRCHALL, ROBINSON & Co.

HEAD OFFICE, MANILA.

ABRIDGED PROSPECTUS.

THE above Company has been established at Manila, for the purpose of taking over the Spanish Steamers LUZON, VISAYAS, ESTRELLA, SORSOGON, CAMAGUIN and BOLLINAO, all of which, with the exception of the BOLLINAO, are now employed in the coasting trade of the Philippine Islands.

The Steamers now running are all in perfect order, and having recently been thoroughly overhauled.

After writing off 10 per cent. of the profits for depreciation, and paying 12 per cent. for Insurance, a Dividend of 18 per cent. was paid to the Shareholders in the above mentioned Steamers during the past year, and it is expected that a still more profitable business will result under the influence of larger Capital and consequent additions to the Fleet.

The New Steamer BOLLINAO, built by the AMERICAN SHIP BUILDING COMPANY of Paisley, and now on her way out, has been specially constructed to enter the shallow rivers of Dagupan and Capiz, with a carrying capacity of 200 Tons dead-weight, being the only Steamer in the Philippine trade of her capacity and draft.

The Company will take its own risks of Insurance, for which purpose one-fifth of the paid up Capital will be set aside to meet any loss which may arise.

Considering the handsome result obtained during the past year and the good prospects for future trade in Philippine Islands, combined with the possibility of obtaining a Government subvention in the new mail contracts to be offered next year, it is reasonably expected that a still better result will follow.

The responsibility of Shareholders is limited to the nominal amount of their shares.

Application for Shares should be made on the accompanying form, and addressed to the General Managers.

PHILIPPINE STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

Messrs. BIRCHALL, ROBINSON & Co., Manila.

DEAR SIRS,
In conformity with the Prospectus of the above Company, I beg to request you to note my application for Shares, or any less number, of \$100 each; the first call of \$10 per Share on those allotted to me, will be paid on presentation of this scrip and the remainder on 30th April 1884.

Name and address in full
Date
Hongkong, April 4, 1884. 595

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

(OUTFITTING DEPARTMENT.)

A NEW SUPPLY JUST TO HAND OF

SPRING HOSIERY.

UNDERSHIRTS and DRAWERS in SILK, THREAD, CRAPE and COTTON GAUZE.

New THREAD and COTTON HALF-HOSE.

New WASHING SCARFS and TIES.

The New 'Climax' UMBRELLA, guaranteed to wear well.

NAPIER JOHNSTONE'S SCOTCH WHISKY, a Very Fine Old Spirit, in square bottles.

Hongkong, April 19, 1884. 679

SAYLE & Co.

EX S.S. 'GLENOCLE.'

A CHOICE SELECTION OF

LADIES' TRIMMED HATS.

NEW PATTERNS IN

ZEPHYR DRESS MATERIALS.

BLACK SPANISH LACE, ALL WIDTHS.

Sewing and Kitting Machines, BY VARIOUS MAKERS.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, Hongkong, April 24, 1884. 708

Intimations.

CONSULAR NOTIFICATION.

PERUVIAN CONSULATE, Hongkong, 15th April, 1884.

SHIPPERS to the PORTS of PERU are required to Present to the Consulate, at the time of shipment, an Invoice in triplicate, as follows:—

1. The name of the Shipper, Destination, and name of the Person to whom the Goods are Consigned, or, if they are to order, the Port of Destination and name of the Ship.

2. The Mark, Number, Description, Contents, and Gross Weight of each package.

3. The Total value of the Invoice without details respecting each package.

Goods forwarded to any other Port, for transshipment to Peru, require certified Invoices and Manifest from this Consulate.

J. GRANT SMITH, Consul for Peru.

ROBE SIM & Co. PATENT ANTI-FOULING COMPOSITION as supplied to Her Majesty's Ships; The P. & O. S. N. Co.; The Douglas Steamship Company; The Japanese Government.

Sole Agent, China, Japan, and Manila, EDWARD GEORGE.
Hongkong, January 31, 1884. 188

WILLIAM DOLAN, SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER, 22, PRAYA CENTRAL.

COTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS, MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS, COKE JACKETS, &c., &c., &c.
Hongkong, May 1, 1882. 256

Insurances.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to Grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding \$5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872. 498

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to Grant Policies on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, at current rates.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, November 5, 1883. 855

For Sale.

FOR SALE, JULES MUM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts, \$20 per 1 doz. Case.
Pints, \$21 per 2 doz. " "
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, December 20, 1883. 1177

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HONGKONG, 1877-1883.
Part I. A-K, ... \$2.50
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A Reduction of ten per cent. will be allowed to purchasers of ten or more copies.

This Standard Work on the Chinese Language, constructed on the basis of Kanghi's Imperial Dictionary, contains all Chinese characters in practical use, and while alphabetically arranged according to the sounds of the oldest dialect of China, the Cantonese, it gives also the Mandarin pronunciation of all characters explained in the book, so that its usefulness is by no means confined to the Cantonese Dialect, but the work is a practically complete Thesaurus of the whole Written Language of China, ancient and modern, as used all over the Empire, whilst its introductory chapters serve the purposes of a philological guide to the student.

A Supplement, arranged for being bound and used by itself, and containing a List of the Radicals, an Index, and a List of Surnames, will be published and sold separately.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, January 15, 1883. 115

PUBLICATIONS BY J. DYER BALL.

"CANTONESE MADE EASY"—A Book of SIMPLE SENTENCES in the CANTONESE COLLOQUIAL with Free and Literal Translations; and Directions for Reading English Grammatical Forms into Chinese and vice versa.—Price, \$2. Interleaved Copies, \$2.50.

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"The Sentences given appear to be well arranged."—China Mail. "Contains a wide range of subjects."—Chinese Recorder, &c. "An extensive Vocabulary."—Daily Press.

FOR SALE at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH'S, V. BURNER'S, and LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, Hongkong; and at Messrs. THURTELL & Co., London.
Hongkong, January 23, 1884. 143

FOR SALE CHEAP.

FIVE Hundred to Six Hundred Tons COKE and COAL TAR, in lots to suit, from one ton upwards.

CHOY CHEW,
230, Praya West.
Hongkong, June 18, 1883. 1270

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION OF A VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY, the 25th day of April, 1884, at 3 p.m., on the Premises,—

By Direction of the OWNER: Lot 1.

All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND situate in Tai-poo-shan, measuring on the North 80 feet, on the South 80 feet, on the West 100 feet, and on the East 100 feet, registered in the Land Office as INLAND LOT No. 596, and held for the residue of a term of 999 years, subject to the Annual Crown Rent of \$26.40; together with TEN HOUSES known as Nos. 42, 44, 46, 48 and 50, MARKET STREET, and Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, in YEUNG LOK LANE, thereon.

Lot 2.
All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situate in Tai-poo-shan, measuring on the North 80 feet, on the South 80 feet, on the East 100 feet, and on the West 100 feet, registered in the Land Office as INLAND LOT No. 597, and held for the residue of a term of 999 years, subject to the Annual Crown Rent of \$23.40; together with ELEVEN HOUSES known as Nos. 52, 54, 56, 58 and 60, MARKET STREET, Nos. 8, 10 and 12, UPPER STATION STREET, Nos. 1, 2 and 3, YEUNG LOK LANE, thereon.

These Lots will be Sold subject to the existing Lettings and Tenancies hereof. For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to

HENRY J. HOLMES, Solicitor for the Vendor; or to J. M. GUEDES, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, April 17, 1884. 668

To Let.

TO LET, N. 25, PRAYA CENTRAL, Nos. 3, 7 and 8, SMOOR TERRACE, No. 7, GARDEN ROAD (KNOWN AS 'HARPERVILLE'), No. 4, OLD BAILEY STREET.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, April 3, 1884. 600

GODOWN-STO LET. PRAYA EAST AND WANSHAI ROAD. For Particulars, apply to HONGKONG, APRIL 22, 1884.

TO LET, "PARSEE VILLA," ROBINSON ROAD, and No. 56, PRINCE STREET. Possession from 1st March.

Apply to DORABEE NOWROJEE, Victoria Hotel.
Hongkong, February 22, 1884. 385

TO LET, FURNISHED, No. 10, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

Apply to MANAGER, China Mail Office.
Hongkong, April 15, 1884. 650

TO BE LET, A FURNISHED HOUSE in one of the TYRACERS.

For Particulars, address "J. D. B., c/o China Mail Office."
Hongkong, March 26, 1884. 647

TO LET, THE PREMISES now occupied by us, No. 11, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

For further Particulars apply to Messrs. RUSSELL & Co.
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, August 1, 1883. 226

TO BE LET, N. 2, DOUGLAS VILLAS, CAINE ROAD.

Also, No. 6, UPPER MOSQUE TERRACE. Possession from 1st May.

Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, April 5, 1884. 609

Shipping.

Steamers.

STEAM TO BOMBAY VIA STRAITS.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship Baniquet will leave for the above place on FRIDAY, 2nd May, at 3 p.m.

A. MOYER, Superintendent.
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office.
Hongkong, April 23, 1884. 706

FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND ADELAIDE. (Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to NEW ZEALAND, NEW CALEDONIA, TASMANIA and FIJI.)

The Eastern and Australian Steamship Co.'s Steamship Tannatic will be despatched as above on or about the 15th May.

Passes (all of which must be sent to our Office) will be received up to 4 p.m. of the day previous to sailing.

Contents and value of the Packages must be declared.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, April 8, 1884. 621

Shipping.

Steamers.

THE AUSTRALASIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND STRAITS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. (Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND and TASMANIAN PORTS, NEW CALEDONIA and FIJI.)

The Steamship Napier, Captain THOMAS, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 25th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, April 1, 1884. 675

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI. (Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, NEW-CHOWANG, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Co.'s Steamship Roussong, Captain HOON, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 26th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, April 23, 1884. 690

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAIWANFOO. The Co.'s Steamship Thales, Captain POCOCK, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 27th Instant, at 9 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, April 22, 1884. 697

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, AND TRIESTE. (CALLING AT PERMANENT PORTS, ODESSA, and the MEDITERRANEAN PORTS.)

The Co.'s Steamship Medusa, Capt. G. RAUENUS, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 28th Instant, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, April 23, 1884. 705

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, VIA SINGAPORE. (Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to NEW ZEALAND; through Passage Tickets granted to PORT MORESBY, NEW GUINEA.)

The Steamship Changchoe, Captain

For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
No. 53, Queen's Road East,
(OPPOSITE THE COMMISSIONARIAT),
ARE NOW LAND-
ING FROM AMERICA.

CALIFORNIA
CRACKER
COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb
tins, and loose.
Soda BISCUITS.
Assorted BISCUITS.

Small HOMINY.
Cracked WHEAT.
OATMEAL.
CORNMEAL.

TOPOCAN BUTTER.
Apple BUTTER.
Eastern and California CHEESE.
COTTAGE, Borden's.
PRIMO HAM and BACON.
Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.
Family BEER in 25 lb kegs.
Boat Ideal SALMON in 5 lb cans.
Cutting's Dessert FRUITS in 24 lb cans.
Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.
Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage
MEAT.
Stuffed PEPPERS.
Assorted SOUPS.
Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted
MEATS.

Lunch HAM.
Lamb's TONGUES.
Oven CROWDER.
Fresh OREGON SALMON.
Dried APPLES.
TOMATOES.
SUCCOTASH.
Maple SYRUP.
Golden SYRUP.
LOBSTERS.
OYSTERS.
HONEY.
Assorted JELLIES.
Green CORN.

FAIRBANKS' SCALES.

400 lb Capacity.
600 lb " "
800 lb " "
1,200 lb " "

CORN BROOMS.
OFFICE HIGH CHAIRS.
AXES and HATCHETS.
AGATE IRON WARE.
WAFLE IRONS.
SMOOTHING IRONS.
PAINTS and OILS.
TALLOW and TAR.
VARNISHES.

DEVOS' NONPAREIL
BRILLIANT
KEROSENE OIL,
150° test.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
STORES,
including:

CHRISTMAS CAKES.
PUMPKIN PUDDINGS.
MINCEMEAT.
ALMONDS and RAISINS.

CRYSTALLIZED FRUITS.
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Lancie COGNAC.

FINE YORK HAMS.
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SAVORY PATES.

FRUIT PLUMS.
BROWN.
INFANTS' FOOD.
CORN FLOUR.

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COOKING STOVES.

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PERFECTION STUDENT LAMP.

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CHATEAU MARGAUX.
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RED GRAYES.
BREAKFAST CLARET.

SHERRIES & PORT—
SACON'S MANZANILLA & AMON-
TILLADO.
SACON'S OLD INVALID PORT
(1848).
HUNT'S PORT.

BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.—
1 and 3-star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.
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FINEST OLD BOBBOON WHISKY.
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E. & J. BAKER'S IRISH WHISKY.
ROSE'S LIME JUICE CORDIAL.
NOLAN PAT & Co.'s VERMOUTH.
CHARTERED GINGER BRANDY.
EASTERN ORCHARD.
MARASCHINO.
CUBACAO.

ANGOSTURA, BOTTLED and ORANGE
BITTERS.
&c., &c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and
SAYRE, pints and quarts.
GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. &
J. BAKER, pints and quarts.
DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the
Gallon.
ALE and PORTER, in hogheads.

SPECIAL SELECTED
CIGARS.

Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in
5 catty boxes.
BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

MINNER'S PATENT FIRE-PROOF
SAVES, OASH and PAPER
BOXES, at Manufacturer's Prices.

Hongkong, December 1, 1883. 1043

Mails.



**MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.**
STEAM TO NAGASAKI AND KOBE,
VIA INLAND SEA.

(Taking Cargo and Passengers for YOKO-
HAMA, VLADIVOSTOK and
COREA.)

THE S.S. KUMAMOTO MARU, Capt.
DRUMMOND, will be despatched on
above on FRIDAY, the 24th April, at 4 p.m.
Cargo received on board and Parcels at
the Office up to 1 p.m. of day of sailing.
No Bill of Lading signed under \$2
Freight.

All Claims must be settled on board
before delivery is taken, otherwise they
will not be recognized.
Cargo and Passengers for Yokohama
will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail
Steamer at Kobe, and for Vladivostok and
Corea at Nagasaki and/or Kobe.
For further Particulars, apply at the
Company's Office, 100, Queen's Road, Ground
Floor of Messrs RUSSELL & Co.
H. J. H. TRIPP,
Agent.

Hongkong, April 16, 1884. 658



**STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,
ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID,
MARSEILLES, MALTA, GIBRALTAR,
BRINDISI, TRIESTE, VENICE,
PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.**

ALSO,
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND
AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills
of Lading for BATAVIA, PERLAK,
GULF PORTS, MAHARAJA,
TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK
AND BOSTON.

**THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
RUMBLA**, Captain W. BARRETT, will
be despatched on FRIDAY, the 24th April,
at 4 p.m.
Cargo will be received on board until
10 a.m. on the day of sailing.
Parcels and Special (Gold) at the Office
until 10 a.m. on the day of sailing.
Silk and Valuables for Europe will be
transhipped at Colombo; Tea and Gen-
eral Cargo for London will be conveyed
via Bombay without transhipment, arriving
one week earlier than by the ordinary direct
route via Colombo.

For further Particulars, regarding
FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the
PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVI-
GATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are
required to be declared prior to shipment.
Shippers are particularly requested to
declare the contents of their packages.

N.B.—This Steamer takes Cargo and Pas-
sengers for MARSEILLES.

A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, April 16, 1884. 601

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
London, v. Suez Canal.	Rohilla (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	April 25, 4 p.m.
London, v. Suez Canal.	Telemachus (s).	Butcherfield & Swire.	About April 30.
Maracilles, v. Saigon.	Yangtze (s).	Messageries Maritimes.	May 1, noon.
Trieste, &c.	Medusa (s).	Melchers & Co.	April 28, noon.
Sourabaya, &c.	Comet (s).	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About April 30.
Portland (Oregon).	Tamaskan (s).	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York.	Penobscot (s).	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
San Francisco.	Rapahel (s).	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
San Francisco, v. Yama.	City of Rio de Janeiro (s).	Pacific Mail Co.	May 6, 3 p.m.
Sydney & Melbourne.	Naples (s).	Russell & Co.	April 25, 4 p.m.
Sydney & Melbourne.	Changchow (s).	Butcherfield & Swire.	April 30, 4 p.m.
Sydney & Melbourne.	Tamaskan (s).	Russell & Co.	About May 10.
Bombay, v. Straits.	Kangamote Maru (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	May 2, 3 p.m.
Manila, v. Amoy.	Emeralda (s).	Russell & Co.	April 25, 5 p.m.
Shanghai.	Ningpo (s).	Siemson & Co.	April 25, 5 p.m.
Shanghai.	Koosang (s).	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	April 25, 4 p.m.
Shanghai, v. Amoy.	Priscian (s).	Butcherfield & Swire.	About April 30.
Amoy & Tamsui.	Hailong (s).	Douglas LaPrak & Co.	April 28, 4 p.m.
Swatow, &c.	Thules (s).	Douglas LaPrak & Co.	April 27, 9 a.m.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS. April 24, 1884.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid-up.	Reserve.	Dividend.	Interest.	Dividend.	Interest.
BANKS.								
HK. & S'hai Bank.	60,000	125	125	4,063,361	57,645.23	22.00	123	
INSURANCES.								
Nth. China Ins.	5,000	200	250	250,000	18.27	11.270	p. sh.	
Yangtze Ins.	8,000	25	25	500,000	370,391.00	18.27	11.270	
Union Ins. Soc.	2,000	1,250	125	500,000	370,391.00	18.27	11.270	
China Traders' Ins.	24,000	83.33	25	600,000	107,411.05	22	370	
U'ion Ins. Office	10,000	280	50	506,127.77	10	100	buyers	
China Ins. Co.	1,500	1,000	200	100,378	83,907.18	32	1190	p. share
HK. Fire Ins.	8,000	250	50	885,000	225,291.05	80	7340	buyers
China Fire Ins.	30,000	100	20	616,978	105,366.49	30	600	buyers
STEAM & CANALS.								
HK. C. and M. Steamboat.	8,000	100	75	215,000	53,091.80	6	42	premium
Indo-China S.	120,000	10	10	Depre-				17 1/2 dia buy's
Nav. Co.	3,500	100	all	Fund				par.
MISC.								
HK. & W'poo Dock.	10,000	125	125	18,000	4,351.58	4	61	cash buyers
Gas Co.	5,000	10	10	107,758.14	18.4	11.270	p. share	
H'kong Hotel.	2,000	100	100	2,966.66	83	1145		
China Gas Co.	9,000	100	100	6,229.704	8	1116	buy's ch	
H'kong Ice Co.	1,250	100	100	24,250	543.58	183	1140	p. share
H'kong Bakery.	600	50	50	6,000	656.32	110	100	
Luncheon Sugar Co.	7,000	100	100	8	4,000.05	50	92	
Perak Tin Mining Co.	3,000	50	all	First year			8210	buyers
Singapore Tin Mining Co.	2,500	100	all	Do.			8300	buyers
LOANS.								
Chi. Imp.	1874	6,276	100	all	June 30 Dec 31			
" "	1877	6,042	100	all	Feb. 28 Dec 31			
" "	1878	3,897	500	all	Apr. 1 Oct. 1			
" "	1881	8,565	500	all	Jan 1 Dec 1			
Sugar Debit-ur.	1880	600	500	all	June & Dec.		2	prem.

* For 6 months to 30th June.—† Dividend for 1883 and Bonus of 25 per cent.—‡ To 30th April 1884.—§ For year 1882.—|| For half year ended 31st Dec., 1883.—¶ For 1883.

Mails.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

**STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA,
PORT SAID, SYRIAN PORTS,
NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS
OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;
ALSO
BOMBAY.**

ON THURSDAY, the 1st May, 1884,
at Noon, the Company's S. S.
YANAGITSU, Commandant LORMIER,
with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.
Shipping Orders will be granted until
Noon of 30th April, 1884.

Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on
the 30th April, 1884. (Parcels are not to
be sent on board; they must be left at
the Agency's Office.)
Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.
For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.

I. MARTIN,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 23, 1884. 704

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

**THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF
STO DE JANEIRO** will be despatched
on FRIDAY, the 24th April, at 3 p.m., taking
Passengers and Freight, for Japan, the
United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities of the United States, via Over-
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and
Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central
and South America, by the Company's and
connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany by all
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

RETURN PASSAGES.—Passengers, who
have paid full fare, re-embarking at San
Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa)
within six months, will be allowed a discount
of 20 per cent. from Return Fare; if re-embarking
within one year, an allowance of 10 per cent.
will be made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Re-
turn Passage Orders, available for one year,
will be issued at a Discount of 25 per cent.
from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply
to through fares from China and Japan to
Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4
p.m. on the 24th May. Parcel Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.,
same day; all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland
Cargo should be sent to the Company's
Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco, and
Freight apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 60, Queen's Road Central.

F. E. FOSTER,
Agent.

Hongkong, April 18, 1884. 070

Notices to Consignees.

**FROM LONDON, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.**

THE Steamship Glenlogie having arrived
from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that their
Goods—with the exception of Opium—are
being landed at their risk into the Godowns
of the Undersigned, whence and/or from
the Wharves or Boats delivery may be ob-
tained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded un-
less notice to the contrary be given before
3 p.m. To-day, the 21st instant.
Cargo remaining undelivered after the
28th instant will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, April 21, 1884. 687

Insurances.
LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)
CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

**THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.**

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.
If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1887. 100

**NORTH-BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.**

**THE Undersigned, Agents of the above
Company, are authorized to insure
against FIRE at Current Rates.**
GILMAN & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1882. 14

NOTICE.
QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY.

**THE Undersigned are prepared to accept
Risks on First Class Godowns at 2
per cent. net premium per annum.**
NORITON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, May 19, 1881. 938

Not Responsible for Debts.

*Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for
any Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:*

ATON MTR, British barque, Captain E.
Henry.—Captain.

ANNA, German ship, Captain F. Schildt.
—Order.

BENVENUE, British steamer, Captain J.
Potter.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

CHI YUN, Chinese steamer, Capt. Wal-
carondelet. American ship, Captain
Stinson.—M. B. M. S. S. Co.

FRANK CARVELL, British ship, Capt. Wm.
S. Chapman.—Order.

MANTHA, British barque, Captain A.
McPherson.—Russell & Co.

MEDUSA, Austro-Hungarian ship, Capt. G.
Ragustin.—Melchers & Co.

MELBORE, American ship, Captain S. P.
Bates.—Russell & Co.

NAVYKIN, American barque, Capt. A. B.
Weeks.—Russell & Co.

NIBROK, German schooner, Capt. C.
Robarth.—Siemson & Co.

PRINZ ALEXANDER, Germ. steamer, Capt.
R. Kerkert.—Arnold, KARBURG & Co.

SHANTAN, American barque, Capt. J. P.
Crosby.—Russell & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.
The Steamship
Ningpo,
Capt. R. CRAWFORD, will
be despatched for the above
Port TO-MORROW, the 25th inst.,
at 6 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
STEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, April 24, 1884. 707

**THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.
The Co.'s Steamship
Medusa,
Capt. HUTCHINSON, will
be despatched for the above
Ports on SATURDAY, 26th inst., at 5 p.m.
Manila Cargo not received after Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, April 24, 1884. 760

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

FOR AMOY AND TAMSUI.
The Co.'s Steamship
Hailong,
Capt. GODDARD, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on MONDAY, the 28th instant, at
4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, April 24, 1884. 710

**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.**

NOTICE is hereby given that in Accord-
ance with Resolution No. 2 passed
at the Extraordinary General Meeting of
Shareholders held at the City Hall on the
20th December, 1882, ALL SHARES
STOCK UP, and the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th
CALLS paid on or before the 30th JUNE
NEXT, will be disposed of by the Directors
in such manner as in their discretion, they
shall think best in the Interests of the
Corporation.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, April 24, 1884. 712

To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
**THE Undersigned has received instructions
to Sell by Public Auction, on
SATURDAY,**

the 26th April, 1884, at 2 p.m., at his
Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,
AN INVOICE OF
CHINESE CURIOS,
comprising:—

TAL-ING, HONG-HEE, KIN-LOONG,
KUT-CHOW and OTHERS, VASES, LACONNE
BURNERS, PLATES, BOWLS and ORNAMENTS,
OLD BRONZES,
&c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS of SALE.—As customary.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 24, 1884. 711

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

THE CHINA REVIEW.

PUBLISHED BI-MONTHLY.
TENTH YEAR.

THIS Review, which was intended to meet the wants of many students of Chinese history and literature, has now reached its Twelfth Volume. The Review discusses topics which are of interest to the minds of students of the "Far East" and about which every intelligent person connected with China or Japan is in possession of some trustworthy information. It includes many interesting Notes and original papers on the Arts, Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Natural History, Antiquities, and Social Manners and Customs, etc., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, and the Far East generally. Recently a new departure has been taken, and the Review now gives papers on Trade, Commerce, and Descriptive notes of Travel by well-known writers. It was thought that by extending the scope of the Review in this direction, the Magazine would be made more generally useful.

The Review department receives special attention, and endeavours are made to present a careful and concise record of the literature on China, etc., and to give critiques embodying sketches of the most recent works on such topics. Authors and Publishers are requested to forward works to "Editor, China Review, care of China Mail Office."

The Notes and Queries are still continued and form an important means of obtaining from and diffusing among students knowledge on obscure points.

The Correspondents' column also affords further and greater facilities for the interchange of views and discussion of various topics.

Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, or any of the Modern Languages are received. The papers are contributed by the members of the various Consular, Imperial Customs, and other official services, and also by the Missionary bodies, amongst whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is assiduously cultivated. Amongst the regular contributors are Drs. Chalmers, Kitchin, Bretschneider, Hirth, and Hanco, Prof. Legge, and Messrs. Balfour, Watson, Stent, Phillips, Macartney, Goss, Jackson, Faber, Kopsch, Parker, Playfair, Giles, and Fenton, all well-known names, indicative of sound scholarship and thorough mastery of their subject.

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"This number contains several articles of interest and value."—*North-China Herald*.

"The China Review for September-October fully maintains the high standard of excellence which characterises that publication, and altogether forms a very interesting and readable number. Meteorologists will find an interesting and valuable contribution by Dr. Fenton, on the Amount of Precipitation (Rain and Snow) of Peking, showing the results of observations made at the Imperial Russian Observatory at Peking, from 1841 to 1880."—*Notes on the Dutch Occupation of Formosa*, by Mr. Geo. Phillips, contains some interesting information, although much of it is second-hand. The Notices of New Books include a most generous and appreciative review of "The Divine Classic of Nan-Hua," and the Notes and Queries are as usual very interesting."—*North-China Daily News*.

"A substantial and reliable Review which all students of China and the Chinese would do well to patronise."—*Chrysanthemum*.

"The November-December number of the China Review contains less variety than usual, but the few articles are of high standing. The opening paper by Mr. Herbert A. Giles on 'The New Testament in Chinese' treats of a question that must necessarily be of great importance in the eyes of all missionaries."—*Mr. E. M. Parker's 'Short Journey in Szechuan'* are continued, and a goodly instalment of these travels in the interior of China is given. Mr. F. H. Balfour contributes a paper of some length entitled 'The Emperor Cheng, founder of the Chinese Empire,' which will be read with genuine interest by students of Chinese history. A few short notices of New Books and a number of Notes and Queries, one of which 'On Chinese Oases in Western Borneo and Java' might appropriately have been placed under a separate heading, completes the number."—*U.K. Daily Press*.

"The Review contains the following notice of the China Review:—The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and its neighbouring countries, some what similar to that which has been filled in India by the *Cadellia Review*. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, has led to nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such kind of publication as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors."

Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese poet-statesman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-p'o, by Mr. E. C. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by the literary excellence of the style, which will be a useful feature of the Review, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that 'Notes' and 'Queries' are destined to find a place in the pages. It is to be hoped that this opening for contribution on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the China Review may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance.

NOW READY.

THE COMMERCIAL LAW AFFECTING CHINESE; with special reference to PARTNERSHIP REGISTRATION AND BANKRUPTCY LAWS IN HONGKONG.

Copies may be had at the China Mail Office, and at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.,—Price, 75 cents.

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, triple, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices of Postage may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though Written by Hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied music, &c. The charge on them is the same as for books, but, whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less than 5 cents.

The sender of any Registered Article may accompany it with a Return Receipt on paying an extra fee of 5 cents.

The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers for Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited to 5 ounces, and must not exceed these dimensions: 5 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, all foreign possessions in Asia, Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritania, N. America, Mexico, Salvador, Brazil, Peru, Chili, Venezuela, The Argentine Republic, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guiana, Honduras, Bermuda, Labuan, Hawaii, with all Danish, French, Netherlands, Portuguese and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are the Australasian Group, and S. Africa.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—Letters, 10 cents per 1 oz. Post Cards, 3 cents each. Registration, 10 cents. Newspapers, 2 cents each. Books, Patterns and 2 cents per 2 oz. Consim. Papers, 2 cents.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 10; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2; Via Ceylon, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2.

Natal, the Cape, St. Helena, Ascension, Bolivia, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 6; Books and Patterns, 5.

LOCAL POSTAGE.

General Local Rates for Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai, Yokohama, and the Philippines:—Letters, 5 cents per 1 oz. Post Cards, 2 cents each. Registration, 10 cents. Newspapers, 2 cents each. Books, Patterns and 2 cents per 2 oz. Consim. Papers, 2 cents.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

LOCAL DELIVERY.

1. All correspondence posted before 5 p.m. on any week day for addresses in Victoria will be delivered the same day, and generally within two hours, unless the delivery should be retarded by the Contract Mails.

2. Invitations, &c. can generally be delivered within Victoria at the private houses of the addressees rather than at the places of business, if a wish to that effect is expressed by the sender, otherwise all correspondence is invariably delivered at the nearest place of business.

3. Boxholders who desire to send Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, &c. of all the same weight, to addresses in Hongkong, Bangkok, or the Ports of China, may deliver them to the Post Office unattended, the postage being then charged to the sender's account. Each batch must consist of at least ten.

4. Boxholders may also send Patterns to the same places in the same way. Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly closed, if the nature of the contents be first exhibited or stated to the Postmaster General, as he may consider necessary, and approved by him. Printed Circulars may be inserted in such Patterns.

5. The public is reminded that there is no such thing as Parcel Post to Europe, &c. Much trouble and disappointment are caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable articles through the Post. Fans, Curious Articles of Dress, Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by steamer. No refund can be made on such parcels of the value of Stamps obliterated before the nature of the contents was discovered.

Local and Indian Parcel Post.

1. Small Parcels may be sent by Post at Book Rate between Hongkong and the British Post Offices in China, as well as to Japan, Malacca, Peking, the Straits Settlements, Ceylon and India. They must not exceed the following dimensions: 2 feet long, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, weigh more than 5 lbs., nor be more than 3 in. by 2 in. Such parcels may be wholly closed if they bear this special endorsement, PARCEL, CONTAINING NO LETTERS, but any parcel may be opened by direction of the Postmaster General. In the case of Parcels for India a declaration of contents and value is required, a printed form for which is supplied gratis. The Registration of Parcels for India and Ceylon is compulsory.

2. The following cannot be transmitted:—Parcels insufficiently packed or protected, or liable to be crushed (as handboxes, &c.) Opium, Glass, Liquids, Explosive substances, Matches, Indigo, Dyestuffs, Ice, Meat, Fish, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or other perishable goods, or anything which is dangerous to the Mails, or likely to become offensive or injurious in transit.

3. Parcels are as a general rule forwarded by Private Ship, not by Contract Mail Packet. To India they are forwarded by the P. & O. and Indian Mail Packets only, to Ceylon by P. & O. only. No responsibility is accepted with regard to any parcel, unless Registered, and then only to the amount of \$10.

4. The public are cautioned not to confound these facilities with a Parcel Post to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

It is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed:—

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything else, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as follows:—Books and Papers—to British Offices, 5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 4 lbs. Patterns—to British Offices, 5 lbs. if without intrinsic value; to the Continent, &c., 8 oz.

Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Article. The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspondence, but it is prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided:—

1. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration required.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, the envelope being invariably forwarded with such application unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any person not in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.

5. No compensation can be paid for more damage to fragile articles, such as portraits, vases, &c., than the value of the articles, which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

Chair, Jinricksha, and Boat Hire.

LEGALISED TARIFF OF FARES FOR CHAIRS, CHAIR BEARERS, AND BOATS, IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

Chairs and Ordinary Pullaway Boats, Half hour, 10 cents; Hour, 20 cents. Three hours, 50 cents. Six hours, 70 cents. Day (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

TO VICTORIA 'PEAK'. Single Trip. Four Coaches, 10 cents. Three Coaches, 7 cents. Two Coaches, 5 cents. Return (direct or by Pok-fu Lam). Four Coaches, 15 cents. Three Coaches, 12 cents. Two Coaches, 10 cents.

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The Return Fare embraces a trip of not more than three hours.

For every hour or part of an hour above three hours, each Coach will be entitled to an additional payment of 5 cents.

Day Trip (Peak), 10 cents. 50 cents Coach. (12 hours) Gap, 10 cents. 60 cents Coach.

Jinricksha. Quarter of an hour or less, 5 cents. Half an hour, 10 cents. One hour, 15 cents. Three hours, 25 cents. Six hours, 35 cents. One day (12 hours), 50 cents. Per trip to Shaukiwan or Pokfulam, from the centre of the Town, 20 cents. Return, 25 cents. For trip to Aberdeen, from the centre of the Town, 25 cents. Return, 40 cents.

If an Extra Coach is employed, there will be an addition of half the above scale to pay. Nothing in this scale prevents private agreements.

Licensed Bearers (each). Hour, 10 cents. Half day, 20 cents. Day, 50 cents.

BOAT AND COOLIE HIRE. BOATS. 1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 piculs, per Day, 3.00. 1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 piculs, per Load, 2.00. 2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600 piculs, per Day, 2.50. 2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600 piculs, per Load, 1.75. 3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of 300 piculs, per Day, 1.50. 3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of 300 piculs, per Load, 1.00. 3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of 300 piculs, Half Day, 50 cents.

Sampans. or Pullaway Boats, per Day, 1.00. One Hour, 20 cents. Half-an-hour, 10 cents. After 6 p.m., 10 cents extra. Nothing in this Scale prevents private agreements.

STREET COOLIES. Scale of Hire for Street Coolies. One day, 20 cents. Half day, 10 cents. Three hours, 12 cents. One hour, 5 cents. Half hour, 3 cents. Nothing in the above Scale to affect private agreements.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusives of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore K., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section. From Green Island to the Gas Works. From Gas Works to the P. and O. Co.'s Factory. From P. and O. Co.'s Factory to the Harbour Master's Office. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

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